

REMARKS

Claims 28-40, as amended, and new claims 41-52 appear in this application for the Examiner's review and consideration.

Claims 33 and 35 have been amended for clarity, while new claim 41 has been added to cover the feature of the invention previously recited in claims 14 and 40. New claims 42-52 are supported by previous claims 29-39. As no new matter has been added, the entry of these claims is warranted.

In view of the above amendments and the remarks made in response to the final rejection, the applicants respectfully request favorable reconsideration and allowance of the application. Should the Examiner not agree that all pending claims are allowable, then a personal or telephonic interview is requested to discuss any remaining issues and expedite the eventual allowance of these claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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